HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1123 By Bone

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Hailey Jade Comer of Lebanon.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Hailey Jade Comer; and

WHEREAS, only twenty-two months old at the time of her passing, Hailey Jade Comer was born June 16, 2004; she was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, a rare childhood cancer, on October 2, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Hailey had undergone numerous chemotherapy treatments, surgeries, and tests in her brave struggle against the unseen enemy that was cancer; and

WHEREAS, little Hailey left a giant impression on everyone who knew her, teaching them so much about life, love, and God's mercy in her short time here on earth; and

WHEREAS, she loved her family with all her heart, and that love spilled over to everyone she knew; even strangers felt the power of her love and the strength of her courageous spirit; and

WHEREAS, Hailey is survived by her parents, Derrick and Etta Sullins Comer; grandparents, David and Frances McMurtry Hemontolor, Howard Sullins, Jr., and Teresa Sullins, and David and Cathy Comer; great-grandparents, Charles and Vivian Comer, Roy and Donna Jones, Johnnie Hemontolor, Nettie Mofield, and Pearl Sullins; great-great-grandmother, Pauline McDaniel; special uncle and aunts, Eric and Jennie Julien, and Bonny Sullins; three special cousins, Crue, Eric Jr., and Austin Julien; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins; and

WHEREAS, Hailey's parents loved her with everything they had, and her loss leaves a deep emptiness in their lives and hearts; they will draw strength in the belief that Our Lord Jesus waited for her at Calvary and carried her home in His arms, where she laughs and plays with the angels, knowing now only peace and joy; and

WHEREAS, Hailey may be gone in body, but her spirit and boundless love will forever remain with her family and those who knew her; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the remarkable life of this exceptional little girl, who fought so bravely and leaves behind an extraordinary legacy of love; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Hailey Jade Comer, reflecting fondly upon her uncommon strength, her boundless capacity for love, and her enduring spirit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Hailey Jade Comer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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